The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on March 22, 2011 at the Wethersfield Town Hall, Town Manager's Conference Room – First Floor, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield. Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert Garrey, Chairperson

John Maycock, Vice Chairperson

Gary McLeod, Clerk Bette Botticello Michael Rell

Susan Gillanders, Alternate Mark Raymond, Alternate

Members Absent: Lisa Wurzer, Alternate

Also Present: Kristin Stearley, Historic District Coordinator

Linda Messina, Recording Secretary

Commissioner Garrey called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner McLeod, Clerk, read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Hartford Courant* on March 11, 2011.

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3908-11</u>. Doris and Rachel LeClerc seeking to install replacement window sashes at 434 Hartford Avenue.

Rachel LeClerc, 434 Hartford Avenue, appeared before the Commission. She would like to replace the existing sashes with solid wood sashes that are aluminum clad on the exterior. The windows will be six over one to match the existing. All windows are to be replaced. She will be using Windsor Pinnacle Series aluminum clad windows in the color brown.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3909-11.</u> Carmella Starkowski seeking to demolish the existing deck and construct concrete stairs at 96-98 Broad Street.

Carmella Starkowski, 96-98 Broad Street, appeared before the Commission. She would like to replace the existing platform deck as it is falling apart. She would like to have a wooden platform landing with wooden stairs off of the atrium door. The staircase will match existing. They will use pressure treated lumber.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3910-11.</u> Jeffrey and Megan Collins seeking to enlarge two (2) front windows for egress at 22 Harmund Court.

Jeffrey Collins, 22 Harmund Court, appeared before the Commission. The previous owner had removed a partial wall between the living room and the bedroom. The applicant decided to reconstruct the partial wall and the town Building Inspector told him that he has to have a net clear opening of 5.6 square feet. The current windows have a net clear opening of only 4.8 square feet. He wants to put in the exact same style windows with removable sashes. He isn't sure what type of window he will be using yet. The original windows are double-hung, wood, single pane windows with storm windows in a two over two horizontal grid pattern.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3911-11.</u> Stephen and Nancy Bates seeking to install replacement windows at 440 Main Street.

Stephen Bates, 440 Main Street, appeared before the Commission. He would like to replace 19 original windows. The windows are all two over two except for the windows on the addition, which are one over one. He wants to make all the windows two over two so everything matches. He would like to use Pinnacle Windsor wood aluminum clad windows with the same light pattern. The color will be tan. He will keep the shutters.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner McLeod seconded by Commissioner Maycock, and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to close the public hearing on all applications and open the public meeting.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Botticello

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3908-11</u>. Doris and Rachel LeClerc seeking to install replacement window sashes at 434 Hartford Avenue.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Botticello and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulations:

- 1. The windows shall be Windsor Pinnacle Series clad in brown aluminum.
- 2. All sizes and light patterns shall match the existing.

Discussion

Commissioner Maycock stated that is a very nice window. It will look nice.

Commissioner Garrey stated that this will look very close to the original.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Botticello

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3909-11.</u> Carmella Starkowski seeking to demolish the existing deck and construct concrete stairs at 96-98 Broad Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner McLeod and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulation:

1. The stairs shall match the existing in materials and design.

Discussion

Commissioner Garrey stated that this doesn't really have any visibility.

Commissioner Maycock stated that having the same materials improves it.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Botticello

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3910-11.</u> Jeffrey and Megan Collins seeking to enlarge two (2) front windows for egress at 22 Harmund Court.

Upon motion by Commissioner Botticello, seconded by Commissioner Maycock and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to TABLE the application.

Discussion

Commissioner Botticello stated that the applicant needs time to shop around and look at the different options.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Botticello

<u>APPLICATION NO. 3911-11.</u> Stephen and Nancy Bates seeking to install replacement windows at 440 Main Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Botticello and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulations:

- 1. The windows shall be Windsor Pinnacle Series clad in tan aluminum.
- 2. All light patterns shall match.

Discussion

Commissioner Garrey stated that this is the same window and will make all of the windows uniform.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Botticello

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2011

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Rell and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the minutes of the February 22, 2011 meeting as submitted.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Botticello

OTHER BUSINESS

Public comments on general matters of the Historic District

None.

Report of the Historic District Coordinator

Effective immediately, the legal notices will be published in the *Rare Reminder* as opposed to the *Hartford Courant*. This is a cost savings to the town and it is a free publication that reaches every household in Wethersfield so it meets the requirements of the state statute. The legal notices currently have a deadline of Monday with a Friday publication and will now have a deadline of Friday with a Thursday publication. Some dates may be different due to holidays so applicants should contact Kristin Stearley at (860) 721-2836 or the Building Department at (860) 721-2839 to determine deadline dates.

Correspondence

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Maycock, seconded by Commissioner Botticello and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:02 PM.

Aye: Garrey, Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Botticello

Respectfully Submitted

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Gary McLeod Clerk